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The Illinois Pollution Control Board

Attn: Mr. Don A. Brown, Clerk of the Board Don.Brown@illinois.gov

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RE: Rulemaking – Air R18-20 Amendments to 35 Ill. Adm. Code 225.233, Multi-Pollutant Standards

To the Illinois Pollution Control Board:

On behalf of the Heart of Illinois Group of the Sierra Club, I am requesting that the Illinois Pollution Control Board have the next public hearing for case R18-20 in Peoria. Our Sierra Group covers fifteen counties in central and western Illinois, but the Peoria area has two Vistra power plants affecting our air quality (Duck Creek and E. D. Edwards). There are also three additional coal-fired power plants in our region, one at Pekin and two others within fifty miles (Havana and Hennepin).

Heart of Illinois Group Sierra urges the Illinois Pollution Control Board to provide at least a 30 day notice for the public hearing. We would also respectfully ask that the hearing not be scheduled in the very hectic time from Thanksgiving through the New Year, as we know from other events that the public is very distracted during the holiday season. Having a meaningful public hearing is essential. We are concerned that participation will be greatly impacted if the hearing is scheduled during the holiday season due to the many other events being held.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Bob Jorgensen

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